# 45-BLOCK NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM



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### **PURPOSE:**

The 45-Block Neighborhood Revitalization Program is an effort to revitalize depressed areas in and adjacent to the neighborhoods of Cherry View, Perkins Town, Biltmore, and Lincoln Park.

#### HOW:

With financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the City of Greenville will address issues within the 45-block area over the next 8 to 10 years. Utilizing funding from the Community Development Block Grant Program, the city will initiate revitalization efforts in 8 specific areas (see map) that make up the 45-Block Program.

### **ACTIVITIES:**

Efforts to revitalize these areas include the following activities:

- \* Housing Rehabilitation for owner-occupants.
- \* Acquisition/demolition of substandard/dilapidated structures.
- \* Acquisition of rental property for conversion to owner occupied housing.
- \* Streetscape Improvements.
- \* Recombination of substandard properties for future redevelopment.
- \* Façade grants/business loans to promote economic development.
- \* Assistance to nonprofits providing housing counseling to encourage homeownership within the area.
- \* Downpayment/secondary mortgage

- assistance for homebuyers within the area.
- \* Code Enforcement
- \* Construction of new, affordable single and multi-family housing.

#### WHEN:

All activities listed will not begin at the same time due to funding restraints. Currently we are in the first year of action for areas 1 and 2 of the 8-area plan. During the first year, which will extend into the summer of 2004, activities such as owner occupied housing rehabilitation and acquisition/demolition of dilapidated properties will be underway. Other activities will begin within the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the program and will follow recommendations from the Center City Redevelopment Plan currently being produced.

## **QUESTIONS:**

Citizens with questions regarding the revitalization efforts should contact the City of Greenville, Planning and Community Development Department at (252) 329-4481. Numerous neighborhood meetings have been held throughout the development of the program. As the program matures and efforts continue, additional meetings will be held. Notification of such meetings can be found on the City Page of the Daily Reflector, GTV, and through direct mailing to property owners and tenants in the affected areas. Citizen participation is invaluable and is vital to the success of any program.